

REMARKS

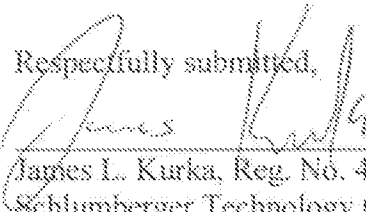
Claim 14 has been canceled without prejudice. Claims 8-11 have been amended. Claims 12 and 13 were previously presented. No New claims have been added. No new matter has been added by way of these amendments. Applicants seek to place the claims in more suitable condition for US prosecution.

The Applicants believe the claims as amended overcome the Examiner's objections and are in condition for allowance in light of the cited art- early passage to issuance is requested. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee associated with the submission of this response including the fee for the Petition to Extend the time for the response under CFR 1.136(a) to Deposit Account No. 50-2183 (Ref. No. 21.1037).

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned patent attorney at 281.285.7114 with any questions, comments or suggestions relating to the referenced patent application.

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